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October 13, 2004

Mr. Sam Miller Dakotas Wind Study Project Manager Western Area Power Administration Box 35800 Billings, MT 59107-5800

Dear Mr Miller:

My wife Lynn and I own a small ranch 10 miles south west of Wessington Springs, South Dakota. We are on the southern end of Clipper Wind Power's "Rolling Thunder" proposed project.

We understand one of the largest constraints on the project is being able to move the power from the hills of Wessington Springs to markets that want to buy the power generated.

The economic impact of a project such as this is very key to the vitality of our community. The increased tax income to the county will benefit our roads, bridges and school funding. The new jobs created, multiply those wages many times in goods and services for the area. The additional income for the land owner can make the difference of a family being able to stay on his land or selling out.

We are very interested in seeing these wind projects move forward and would appreciate your serious consideration of how WAPA can be part of the solution to allow these projects to proceed.

Respectfully

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